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FOR SECRETARY FROM MCCLOY

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IMMEDIATELY AFTER I RECEIVED FROM YOU PRESIDENT'S INSTRUCTIONS, AKALOVSKY AT MY REQUEST INFORMED KUZNETSOV ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

- 1. IN ABSENCE INTERNATIONAL INSPECTION PERSONNEL, SUCH AS ICRC, US PREPARED MAKE GESTURE RE QUARANTINE. WHILE QUARANTINE IN FULL WILL START TOMORROW. WE PREPARED LET SHIPS PASS ON HAIL-AND-PASS BASIS, AS IN CASE SOY TANKER EUCHAREST, I.E., NO INSPECTION ON BOARD VESSELS WOULD BE INVOLVED. WE PREPARED USE THIS PROCEDURE FOR A FEW DAYS UNTIL MORE SOLID BASIS FOR INSPECTION OF SHIPS IS DEVELOPED.
- 2. RE AERIAL SURVEILLANCE, US BELIEVES IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR EVERYBODY IF EVIDENCE WERE OBTAINED THAT DISMANTLING OF RELEVANT FACILITIES HAS STARTED, I.E., IF WE COULD SHOW TO WORLD PICTURES ATTESTING TO THAT FACT. WE HOPE USSR WOULD DO EVERYTHING TO AVOID INCIDENTS IN CONNECTION OUR OVERFLIGHTS. BECAUSE ANY SUCH INCIDENT WOULD CREATE GRAVEST SITUATION AND WOULD AGAIN PUT US FACE TO FACE.

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